In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:

This patent document is a continuation-in-part of is related to and incorporates by reference in its entirety, co-owned U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/113,484, entitled "System using a Polar Coordinate Stage and Continuous Image Rotation to Compensate for Stage Rotation," filed July 10, 1998, issued on November 20, 2001 as US 6,320,609 B1.

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